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A Rapid Decrease in Altitude for a Bunch of Deceased Red Roses

Andrei to turn 16

By LEMURIA

December 8, 2024

Andrei will turn 16; catching up to Lemuria's physical age one day after the release of this OWON issue, on December 15.

First known on the site as William Afton, the Romanian man with the orange cow PFP ran his own news source for OWOT, OWOT Today, which eventually fell inactive in late 2023.

He has done various things on the site, such as interviewing FP for the site's sixth anniversary in September 2023, reaching the coveted 100,000 message count, and many other things.

He has also been in the midst of a conflict with Lemuria since around June 2023, with tensions occasionally flaring up when either side finds the opportunity to tear a hole in the other's personality or exaggerate minor errors in character.

THE ROAD TO MAKATI: *For Lemuria's 16th birthday on December 8, 2024, he went outside, made physical contact with grass, and ate lunch somewhere in Makati. The image is an off-ramp detaching from the Skyway onto Amorsolo Street.*

Fern brings friend along into server

By LEMURIA

December 10, 2024

Murple, one of Fern's close friends, joined the OWOT Discord server on December 7, 2024, and has been integrating well with the community.

The second cow to join the server after Andrei (an orange cow), Murple has a black cat named Beef Ravioli, and like Fern, is transgender too.

When Lemuria saw Murple say that "me and her started at about the same time", Lemuria remarked "'timing". Murple further said "at the same place", and eventually specified that it was "the same clinic".

As Murple was not being clear, Lemuria chose to directly ask Fern herself, and eventually discovered that yes, Murple is one of Fern's close friends.

"I'm pretty close friends with murp yea :p", she said, in reply to the query.

According to Murple, the two "talked each other into starting when we did".

Lemuria showed them OWON, and of course, Fern took them to the cat thread, where Beef Ravioli was spammed to the pleasure of the server's population of cat lovers.

In the days since, Murple has been chilling out in the server, posting photos of Beef Ravioli the cat, as always.

Got something to yap about?
Ask about an advertisement in OWON today, by sending Lemuria a DM.

Marouane banned for calling LGBTQ "shit"

By LEMURIA

December 13, 2024

One of OWOT's most disliked users, Marouane, is under fire today for anti-LGBTQ remarks.

He was kicked from the server, to the pleasure of the server's prominent anti-Marouane members such as Andrei and everyone who ever wastebasketed a message of his.

Marouane's statement

It was the late evening of December 9 when Marouane posted a link to his YouTube channel, asking why it was "exploding in popularity".

Andrei then swooped in, asking Marouane, "what is your opinion on LGBTQ?", saying "just asking :)" at the end.

Marouane's response came after two minutes, and read: "lgbtq is complete shit,just be male or female".

After Andrei's question, but before Marouane's response, Tatejo had replied "uh oh trick question", though Andrei only replied mockingly, saying "yeah yeah we know you're far right bru".

The response

In response to Marouane's statement, an unsurprised Andrei simply replied with "@catmint oh how i knew this would happen", before sending a screenshot of Marouane saying the n-word with a little zalgo sprinkled on top.

In a community where most members support LGBTQ, it is a bold statement

However, it does tell the entire community who to ban, block, and take moderation actions against.

Marouane's reputation has also definitely gone down as a result of this statement.

Felinepeppermint linked to the message in the new "drama log" thread created by her, and summarized the whole thing. However, his kick was undone when he returned to the server, to the displeasure of the server's prominent anti-Marouane members.

A brief return

At 10:07 UTC, on December 12, he sent a message saying "im no longer killing any channels". "none of us care buddy your ban is due", replied Andrei. He also sent a screenshot of a video titled "35 minutes of punishment obby gameplay" from Marouane's channel, remarking, "average 2012 toddler".

He also replied to a poll from Lemuria dating back to June 29, 2024, with the lyrics of PewDiePie's song about T-Series.

"this is how i find out fp kicked this kid", said Andrei.

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Crazy Cat Lady runs survey of userbase

Most of OWOT's userbase hails from North America and Europe, according to the poll run by OWOT's other cat lady. PAGE 2

Late OWON this week

More time spent outside for Lemuria meant less time on OWON. But it is important to touch grass, always. PAGE 2

h THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL LETTER

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Marouane banned

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"@catmint @FP wanna help him out? maybe a ban or something idk", said Marouane.

"everyone dislikes you anyway. redemption arc my ass", said Andrei.

Anyways, at 14:45 UTC, on December 12, FP confirmed that Marouane had been "banned proper".

As to why FP kicked at first and only banned the second time, as opposed to banning immediately, FP said it was his "standard operating protocol" to allow users to rejoin on their own upon hitting 13 years old, instead of the administration keeping track of birthdays.

Roblox

Roblox, a game that many of you should be familiar with, is a game that Marouane has played.

not egg (e_gg.) showed a screenshot of a message from a user with Marouane's PFP and the name "Biggbossmari2012".

not egg said that the Roblox Discord server had a verification procedure that would require your account to be over 13. "And if he'd occasionally cchat and suddenly stopped, well", followed by a shrug.

not egg also pointed to the year 2012 in Marouane's name. If Marouane was born in 2012, he would still be 12 years old.

Is he Dutch?

At 00:09 UTC, in the early morning of December 13, Lemuria posted a link to Marouane's 20 subscribers video.

The video contains Dutch text, leading Lemuria to believe that Marouane may be Dutch.

He brought this information to both FP and Fern in the trash channel, alongside a screenshot of Discord's minimum ages showing that Dutch people must be 16+ to use Discord, perhaps as a result of differing privacy laws from that of America, ~~like the pesky GDPR that prevents every single byte of data from being harvested.~~

Fern replied quickly, saying that it was "nice to know", though Marouane had since been banned. Good riddance.

What now?

The server has finally succeeded in expelling one of its many disliked members.

Now, they might redirect their attention to someone else, or rest, wanting to enjoy the days of peace to come now that Marouane can't post about the Mandelbrot set or fractals.

Crazy Cat Lady runs unofficial survey

By LEMURIA

December 13, 2024

Crazy Cat Lady has released the first initial results from her unofficial survey of the OWOT userbase. Done through a three-page Google form, Crazy Cat Lady received about 30 responses.

In the results, she showed that 48% of users hailed from North America, with most North Americans further specifiying the United States. Europe is next at 24%, and Asia at 16%.

English, unsurprisingly, is the most common language. Other languages included Tagalog, Mandarin, Hindi, Spanish, Portuguese, Indonesian, Russian, Cantonese, Croatian, and Romanian.

On the age front, the range of ages was from 13 to 27, with the median and mean ages both being 17. just one higher than Lemuria, who recently turned 16 this December.

When asked to rate the site, OWOT hovered at around 6.34 stars, from 29 respondents.

When asked what could be changed if anything could be; many users called for the return of the chatbox, and for Starianna's death.

Starianna is a spammer who spammed fake onion links in chat and textual child pornography. She is long gone now, the conclusion to a months-long campaign FP launched trying to stop her reign of terror.

Placeholder seemed to also have apologized for the Laserlime of early 2024; a series of comics that shipped both Lime and Laserdude together.

Lime is a minor, so such sexualization was taken seriously.

"god I want to take it all back. I never wanted to become this. I'm a fucking loser bro. Im just so sorry, so so so so sorry. -p_h".

"I never wanted to leave owot, I wanted to continue making art and chatting with other people like guest, but I guess I'm just too haunted by my past.", said Placeholder, again.

Crazy Cat Lady says that the poll will end in about one to two weeks, or when it hits 100 "genuine responses", meaning 70 more will be needed.

Additionally, Crazy Cat Lady will embark on a great journey across the world on an undisclosed itinerary, which could delay publication, though Lemuria predicts that it might instead be the one-to-two week wait, or the difficulty inherent in getting 100 responses.

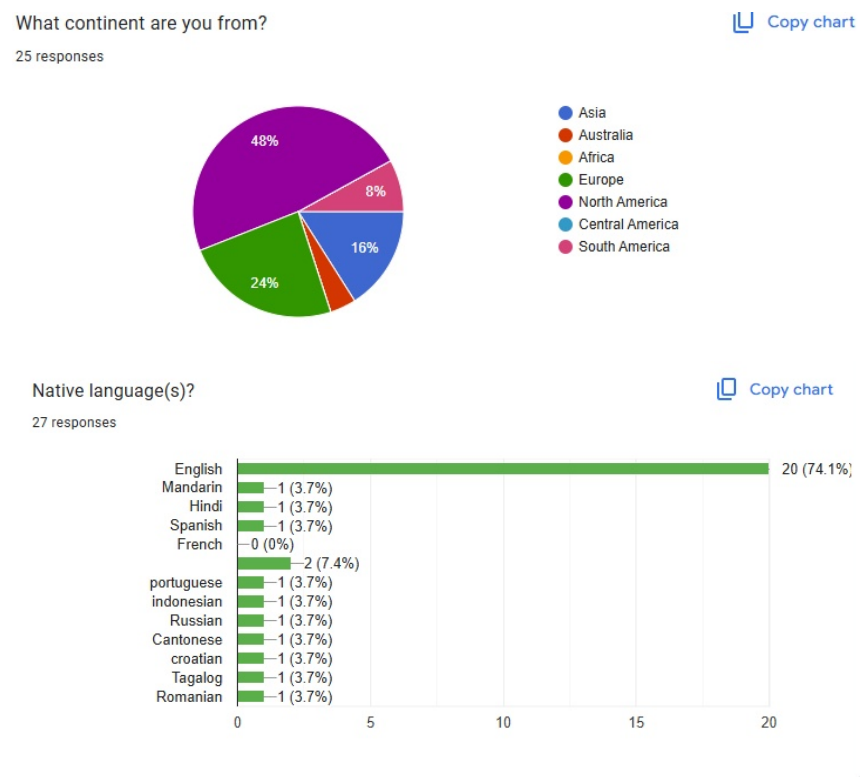
Lemuria can't even get five; he's been fire-reacted only twice in the server's history.

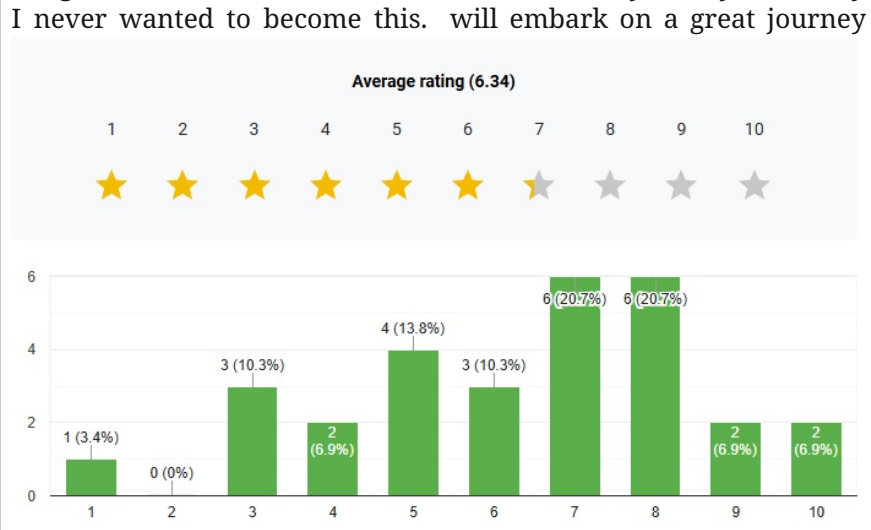
A full download of the entire data will hopefully be made available at the end; but it will be censored, for privacy reasons.

Crazy Cat Lady however indirectly called out Moth Cult Leader; saying their responses contained "I love moths", it can very easily be traced back to them.

As for the Crazy Cat Lady herself; she is one of the newcomers to the Discord server, and definitely the lady who takes it 10 steps further than the server's other administrator cat lady (Fern).

May the results bring us great OWON filler.





Late OWON this week

By LEMURIA

December 13, 2024

This issue of OWON found itself unusually late and with less issues this week, due to Lemuria going out more this week, and falling minorly ill to a cough, a clogged nose, and even a headache once. More annoying than dangerous.

As such, an issue week may be skipped this December, as things heat up or get busy, especially for Lemuria. The Christmas season is a week of rest; not a week of having to worry about OWON filler.

OWON has its origins back in February 2024; first as a daily paper, then every other day, and in April, when burnout struck; a weekly schedule that has since kept OWOT well-informed.

Filler has always been one of the key types of content in the paper; with insufficient material to write about or an excessively lazy author, inserting cat photos last-minute is the best that cna usually be done.

Another possibility is either shortening the issue to two pages or taking cat filler up a notch, or making the "hard" 10AM deadline a soft "sometime on Saturday" deadline instead.

A piece of the Hofeller files on Lemuria's PC?

By LEMURIA

December 13, 2024

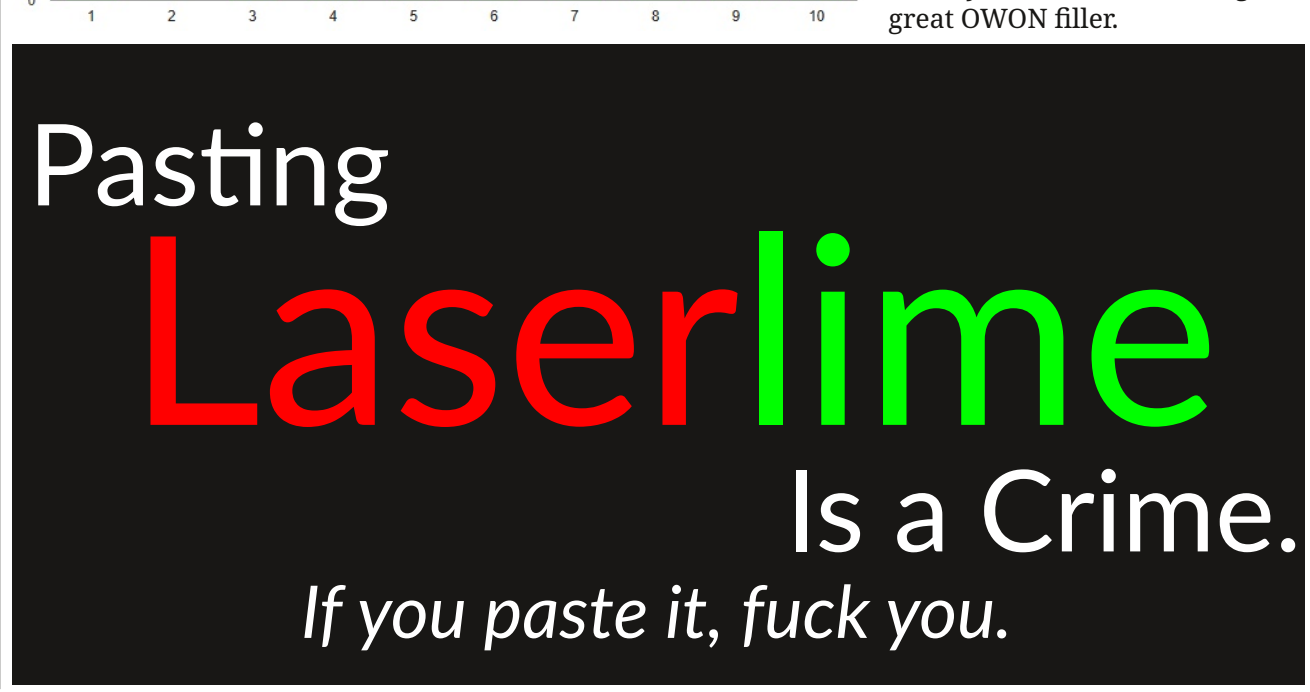
A mystery solved? Lemuria, while checking his Downloads folder, found a 1.5GB file of something. It appeared to be a small piece of a 7-zip file, at first confusing Lemuria severely.

Running the file command on it showed that it appeared to be an OpenPGP key, but no key can be that large, right? Anyways, Lemuria tried out binwalk on the file and found filenames like "TBH Galveston Hours -July 1 - August 31 2013.xlsx" and what appeared to be data that had stuff to do with the United States.

Lemuria was then reminded of the Hofeller files. Thomas Hofeller was a Republican strategist who had worked to gerrymander electoral district maps, and when he died, his daughter, Stephanie Hofeller, posted her father's files for everyone to see.

The files live on the Internet Archive, though downloading 17 gigabytes of 7-zip data from Archive.org servers will be a monumental task, reminding you of 1990s dial-up.

But if you want to browse around, feel free. But be patient.



Our World of News is the paper that keeps the people of the Three Sites (OWOT, YWOT, and OWOP) informed. Lemuria has ran the paper diligently since 2024-02-23.

Discord: https://discord.com/channels/366609898164715520/1210775852862930964
Archive.org: https://archive.org/details/our-world-of-news?sort=-date

Procrastinating all week? MORE CAT FILLER.

Sec. 44.585. IMAGES.

(a) Image Permissions means the technical ability to transmit files, videos, or images, by a direct upload to Discord's servers, within any Channel in the Server.

(b) No user may receive Image Permissions immediately upon joining the Discord unless approvied by a moderator or administrator.

(c) No user may receive Image Permissions, if:

(1) there is a reason to believe that the user may post an image that is obscene, defamatory, illegal, depicts physical harm, inflicts physical harm, or otherwise prohibited under Discord's guidelines,
(2) there is a reason to believe that the user may transmit images at a frequency that may cause undue annoyance to users or constitute spam.
(3) there is a reason to believe that the user may be associated with a group that has been previously hostile to Our World of Text.

(d) No user may be deprived of Image Permissions, if:

(1) there is a reason to believe that the user may post a large amount of photographs depicting instances of the species Felis catus.

Sec. 44.586. WASTEBASKET AND FIRE REACTION SYSTEM.

(a) Definitions.
(1) Wastebasket means a Reaction on a post using the Wastebasket emoji.
(2) Fire means a Reaction on a post using the Fire emoji.
(4) Score means a number assigned to every post.

(b) Any user, through placing a Reaction with either a Wastebasket or Fire, on a post or replying to the post with a Wastebasket or Fire, may affect the Score of a post.

(1) Any user, through placing a Wastebasket, decrements the target post's score by 1 (one).
(2) Any user, through placing a Fire, increments the target post's score by 1 (one).
(3) A single user may only affect the target post's score by 1 (one).
(4) No user may use an Alternate Account to affect the score of a target post.
(5) Any user, through placing both a Wastebasket, and Fire, does not affect the post's score and shall be construed as if the user has not placed a reaction on the target post.

(c) Any post with a score of -5 (negative five), must be deleted when possible. A post that reaches -5 is considered to be Wastebasketed Content.

(d) No user may repost Wastebasketed Content immediately after the deletion of the post in the same channel as where the Wastebasketed Content was deleted.

(1) Nothing in 44.586(d) shall be construed as:

(a) Preventing users from reposting the Wastebasketed Content in a private channel that is exempt from the system, including but not limited to a private thread or any space considered Off-Platform.
(b) Preventing the propagation of the Wastebasketed Content if it violates any rule or norm, to the moderators or administrators, for the purposes of assisting in moderation.

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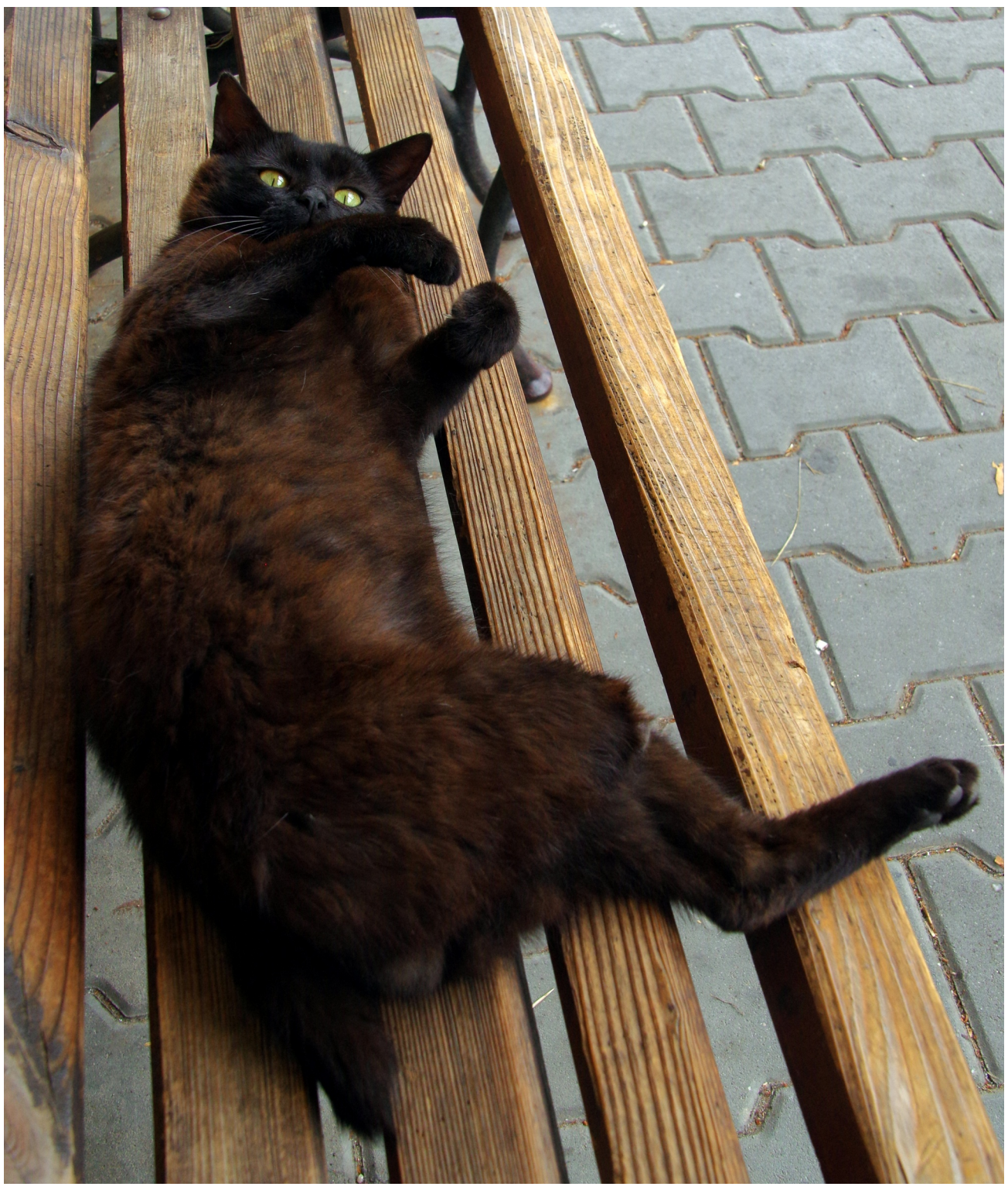

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Fern stays firm on Polonez staying out

By LEMURIA

14 December 2024

Polonez has emerged on OWOT again, attempting to reach out to Fern in the OWOT chat, but Fern remained firm that Polonez was staying out, permanently.

Polonez was once a part of the community, but was banned for multiple reasons.

He spammed links to OWOT on OpenStreetMap, which Lemuria was editing back in November 2023, and that's how Lemuria discovered the site. Over 13 months after that day, here he writes this article now.

"yeah no thanks he was shouting slurs at me just like a couple months ago on a different site", she said in response to Polonez, the site in question being Sleepycat.

Lime mediated; relaying OWOT chat questions to Discord in the #questions channel.

Polonez claimed that the Sleepycat account was not him, but Fern maintains that the Sleepycat account is Polonez, "because of the account there formerly being able to coordinate his actions here". "quite simple causative relationship".

Telepathy is possible, but "that's a little farfetched", said Fern.

When Lime asked for more details; Fern said she wasn't going to go through her backup hard drives, because nothing there would change the fact that Polonez was not to return.

"he wanted to destroy the server and make it so that nobody could access it ever, so the only fair course of action is that he can never access it ever".

By "destroy the server", Polonez attempted to report the Discord server for CP links stored in the main OWOT server's goatways.

These links entered through a bridge between OWOT's chat, known for its poor moderation, and Discord, which of course has more robust moderation incompatible with OWOT chat. The messages were fine at first; and the bridge happily let them cross.

But then, spammers began to spam, and the bridge let them cross too, because that's what it was meant to do.

These links have since been deleted, thanks to a months-long joint cleanup effort that was spearheaded by Fern herself.

Discord, upon taking action against a server with CP, will delete not only the server itself, but every account unlucky enough to be in that server, regardless of the account's actual involvement, or non-involvement.

It's too risky, and Discord doesn't want to take any chances with such high stakes.

Lemuria under fire for listing "trash"

By LEMURIA

December 14, 2024

Lemuria is under fire again from Andrei and Fern for making a vertical advertisement saying "We get rid of the trash", followed by a list of users, one of them being someone Lemuria disagrees with, and everyone else being users who have since been banned.

Andrei mocked the message, saying "'what did andrei do?' 'disagreed with me'", a message that got six fires and a Lemurian wastebasket.

In response to the criticism, Lemuria simply said that Andrei was committing an association fallacy. The list was sourced from two sets: a set of banned users and a set of disagreed-with users, and that Andrei was not part of the banned user set.

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USDOD test post

By LEMURIA

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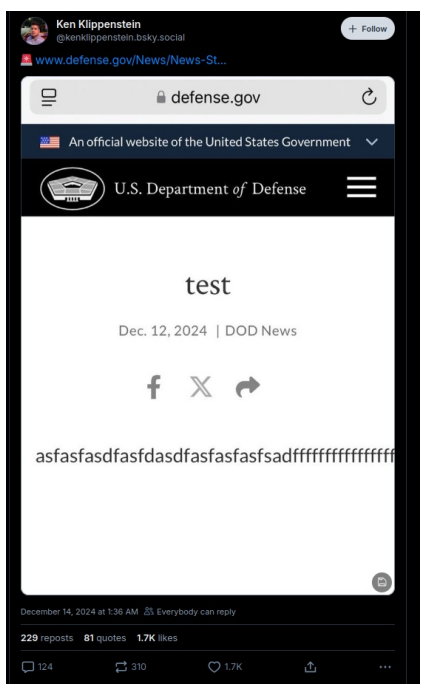

Ken Klippenstein, a Bluesky user, today noticed how the US Department of Defense had released a new press release in the morning of December 12.

"asfasfasdfasfdasdfasfasf-sadfff", said the US Department of Defense post, right on the official defense.gov website.

The blog post is gone now; but it was there for quite a while.

Lemuria relayed the story straight to Fern, who replied with "seems about right".

How unhinged America can be sometimes.

WE GET RID OF THE COMMUNITY'S TRASH

Polonez, d9eoead, AndreiXYZ, scar17off, Starianna, Marouane, Novosol, BonziWorld, Fune, CBAT, Dat_Hack3r, PC_KOSA